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In re application of

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Serial No. 09/987,383

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POWER SUPPLY APPARATUS FOR
SUPPLYING ELECTRIC POWER TO
SUBSTRATE CARRIER CONTAINER

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of October 24, 2002, please amend the above-referenced U.S. patent application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT:

Kindly replace the original abstract (page 23) with the enclosed substitute abstract.